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**VIA E-MAIL**

Mr. Brian Waters

MuckRock News

Email: [82146-17868760@requests.muckrock.com](mailto:82146-17868760@requests.muckrock.com)

RE: 19-FOIA-322 Metra millimeter wave scanner tests w/ TSA

Dear Mr. Waters:

Metra's FOIA Department (the "FOIA Department") is in receipt of your request for information pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* ("FOIA").

On October 24, 2019, the FOIA Department received your request for "information about your agency's use of millimeter wave scanning technology..."

Specifically, I am requesting the following documents:

- 1) Any documents describing the scope, duration, or location of millimeter wave technology tests with the TSA.
- 2) Copies of any reports or assessments written describing the results of the tests.
- 3) Any policies describing how the technology is used, and any legal analyses or studies that may have been carried out which deal with the technology.
- 4) A copy of all technical documentation regarding the technology. Please search your records for user manuals, maintenance or service manuals, studies or reports, spec sheets or data sheets, or any other such documentation."

Under the FOIA, a public body may extend the time to respond to a FOIA request by up to five (5) business days for a limited number of reasons. 5 ILCS 140/3(e). The FOIA Department is extending the time to respond to your request by five (5) business days for the following reason(s):

- ☐ We store the requested records in whole or in part at another location(s).
- ☐ Responding to the request requires that we collect a substantial number of specified records.
- ☐ The request is couched in categorical terms and requires that we conduct an extensive search for the records responsive to it.
- ☒ The requested records have not been located in the course of routine search and additional efforts are being made to locate them.
- ☒ In order to determine whether the requested records are exempt under Section 7 of FOIA or must be redacted in part before they are disclosed, we must have the documents reviewed by counsel.
- ☒ We cannot comply with the request for records within the five (5) business day time limit without unduly burdening or interfering with our operations.

— Before we can determine whether to provide the documents in response to your FOIA request, we must consult with [ ] which has a substantial interest in the determination of how to respond to this request because [ ].

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The extension is needed to coordinate the efforts of multiple departments in producing the requested records. The FOIA Department plans to respond to your request by **November 7, 2019**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Angela K. Ollie".

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